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Lecture on Revolutionary and Statesman Aram Manoukian to be Presented at Ramapo College

MAHWAH, N.J. – Dr. Khatchig Mouradian will give a talk on “Becoming Aram: The Life and Legacy of a Revolutionary Statesman,” at Ramapo College. The program will be held on Monday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Trustees Pavilion under the auspices of the Gross Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies and the Armenian National Committee of New Jersey. The program is free and open to the public.

Dr. Mouradian, the Nikit and Eleanora Ordjanian Visiting Professor at Columbia University, will examine the tumultuous journey of the revolutionary-turned-statesman Aram Manougian, whose struggle against the oppressors of his own people spanned two declining empires, and who also is remembered as the founder the First Republic of Armenia (1918-1920). Through a wealth of documents from the archives of the Armenian Revolutionary Federation, the Ottoman Empire and the First Armenian Republic, as well as published and unpublished memoirs and accounts, Dr. Mouradian traces the 40-year life and century-long legacy of Aram Manougian (born Sarkis Hovhannisian), who led the 1915 Defense of Van--becoming known as Aram of Van--and laid the foundations of an independent state for his people, who often remember him today as, simply, Aram.

In addition to his post at Columbia University, Dr. Mouradian is the coordinator of the Place and Memory Project at the Center for the Study of Genocide and Human Rights at Rutgers University, and adjunct professor in the Philosophy Department at Worcester State University.

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to its unique interdisciplinary academic structure, its size of approximately 6,000 students and its pastoral setting in the foothills of the Ramapo Mountains on the New Jersey/New York border.

Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include nursing and social work. In addition, Ramapo College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels. The College also offers eight graduate programs as well as articulated programs with Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New York Chiropractic College, New York University College of Dentistry, SUNY State College of Optometry and New York College of Podiatric Medicine.